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STATEMENT REGARDING COMMON OWNERSHIP

Dear Sir:

Applicants submit that the inventors of the instant application and the inventors of the WO 01/39784 reference cited in the Office Action dated December 23, 2003, were, at the time each of the inventions were made, subject to an obligation of assignment to The General Hospital Corporation.

Respectfully submitted,

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Enclosed for filing in the above-identified patent application, please find the following documents:

- 1. Response to Office Action mailed December 23, 2003;
- 2. Statement Regarding Common Ownership;
- 3. Declaration Under 37 CFR §1.131 of Joel F. Habener, M.D.:
- 4. Declaration Under 37 CFR §1.132 of Joel F. Habener, M.D.:
- 5. Exhibits A through F;
- 6. Petition for Three Month's Extension of Time; and
- 7. Return Post Card.

The Commissioner for Patents is hereby authorized to charge any fees to Deposit Account No. 16-0085, Reference 3284/1235. A duplicate of this transmittal letter is enclosed for this purpose.

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